2020 Election Sees Groundbreaking Latino Voter Turnout

With votes still being counted, Latino youth fuel turnout

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On Election Night, the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) Educational Fund released the following statement from CEO Arturo Vargas on Latino voters and the current state of the 2020 Election:

“While there are still many ballots to be counted in the presidential election and races across the country, no matter their results, we know that the Latinos turned out to vote in record numbers in 2020. Building on the momentum from 2018, Latino voters are showing us that winning requires courting and engaging this diverse community.

“With historic Latino turnout across the nation, the Latino community is exemplifying a fierce dedication to civic participation, diversity of thought, and strength in numbers. The enormous surge in participation by young Latinos has signaled that the next generation of America’s second-largest population and electorate is invested, involved, and eager to make their voices heard.

“COVID-19 served as a rallying cry for many Latino voters this year, and despite the significant challenges the pandemic has posed to securing safe elections, Latino voters still made plans to vote and delivered.

“We, at NALEO Educational Fund, are very proud of the outreach work we did as an organization, from various voter engagement efforts to ensure that Latino voters were prepared to cast ballots this year, to our toll-free bilingual voter protection and information hotline 1-888-VE-Y-VOTA (1-888-839-8682), which is still in operation to assist callers with any voting-related questions and to report issues at the polls.

“While this election has been one of the most difficult in history for a litany of reasons, we are extremely proud to point to Latino voter turnout as a high point.”

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About NALEO Educational Fund

NALEO Educational Fund is the nation’s leading non-partisan, non-profit organization that facilitates the full participation of Latinos in the American political process, from citizenship to public service.